

REMARKS

As indicated in the Notice of Allowance dated June 14, 2006, and the Supplemental Notice of Allowance dated August 30, 2006, this application has been allowed. The issue fee has not been paid, but is being paid concurrently herewith.

Subsequent to the receipt of the Notice of Allowance, Applicant identified a typographical error in dependent claim 18. Specifically, this claim erroneously recited the step of forming a surface texture having at least one wrinkle "on the second shape" of the second section of a tube. The original specification, however, states that "the thick end section 32 of the aluminum alloy tube 3, which is disproportionally enlarged according to the method of this invention, possesses a surface texture with regularly and gradually developed wrinkles that enhance the appearance of the aluminum alloy tube 3". Original Specification at -- 8, ll. 10-15 --; *see also id.* at 4, ll. 21-276; *id.* at 6, ll. 15-25. The original disclosure thus includes the step of forming a surface texture having at least one wrinkle on the second section of the tube.

This Amendment is thus submitted to more accurately describe the embodiment disclosed in the original disclosure. This Amendment also will not require an additional search. Nor does it not raise any new issues. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that this Amendment be entered and the requested changes made.

In the Supplemental Notice of Allowance, the Examiner objected to the originally filed Declaration. Specifically, the Examiner indicated that "K.U. Wu" did not appear to correctly identify the full name of the inventor. To obviate this perceived deficiency, the Examiner requested a Corrected Declaration.

Applicant respectfully disagrees. The inventor's full given and family name is "K.U. Wu," as correctly identified in the originally filed Declaration. Accordingly, the

originally filed Declaration fully complies with U.S. patent practice. Applicant thus respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw this ground for objection.

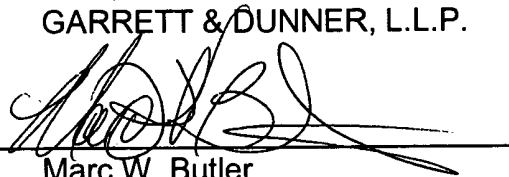
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Respectfully submitted,

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